what are the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Complaints regarding non-implementation of reports of Bachawat Board

561. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the complaints that a large majority of newspapers in the country have not so far implemented the recommendations of Bachawat Wage Board as notified by Government;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to ensure that the recommendations are quickly implemented by Newspaper establishments; and

(c) whether any reports have been asked for from the State Government about the number of Newspapers which have implemented the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (c) The State Government are the appropriate governments to enforce the implementation of the recommendations of the Bachawat Wage Board, as notified by the Government. The Government has since written to the Chief Ministers of respective States and the Administration of the Union Territories to evolve suitable Machinery for the implementation of the recommendations of the Bachawat Wage Board and to oversee the implementation of the same. Their attention has also been invited for taking legal action under section 18 of the Working Journalists and other Employees (Conditions of Service) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1955 for non-implementation of the Orders issued under this Act.

Appointment of announcers in Railways

562. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the criteria laid down for appointment of announcers in the Railways;

(b) what are their terms and conditions of appointment; and

(c) on which grade they are placed?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c) Information is being collected from the zonal railways and will laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Mass Rapid Transport System in Delhi

563. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI YASHWANT SINHA:
CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are proposed to be taken by Government to provide a mass rapid transport system for Union territory of Delhi to ease the difficult traffic and transportation problem;

(b) what is the gist of the recommendations made by the committees appointed in this connection;

(c) what are the main schemes for underground metro and overhead arrangements recommended therein; and

(d) what is Government's decision on each of the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) to (d) A number of studies/ surveys have been made from time to time regarding the transport problem in Delhi. Almost all the studies have recommended the introduction of Mass Rapid Transit System in Delhi. These studies, however, had not taken into considera-